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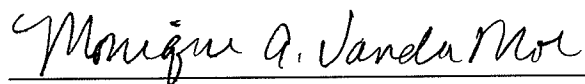
A Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed September 15, 2008, stated that claim 9 lacked a proper status identifier. With this response, Applicants have added a proper status identifier and timely submit the response within the one-month or 30-day shortened time period provided. As such, Applicants respectfully submit that claims as provided herewith should be entered and examined on the merits. Such claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration for and allowance of the claims are therefore respectfully requested.

An Information Disclosure Statement is concomitantly provided herewith and, being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action, requires no accompanying fees. Should this be incorrect, please charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 07-0153.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the undersigned stands ready to conduct a telephone interview and is available at the phone number listed with this paper.

Please direct all correspondence to the practitioner listed below at Customer No. 60148.

Respectfully submitted,



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